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SUBJ: SPANISH SAHARA: KING HASSAN'S OBSERVATIONS

1. AT LUNCHEON AT ROYAL PALACE IN MARRAKECH ON JULY 10 KING MADE FOLLOWING REMARK TO DEPSECDEF CLEMENTS AND MYSELF, AS WELL AS TO FRENCH AMBASSADOR AND A FRENCH GENERAL WHO WAS ALSO VISITING: "THE SPANISH HAVE LOST THEIR GAME AND THEY MUST FINALLY REALIZE IT. THEY ALWAYS SAID THAT IF MOROCCANS, MAURITANIANS AND ALGERIANS AGREE, THEN WE HAVE NO OBJECTIONS. NOW THE MOMENT HAS COME." AFTER MY QUESTION WHETHER KING THOUGHT THAT HIS AGREEMENT WITH ALGERIA WOULD STAND UP AND WHETHER WE SHOULD WATCH WITH SOME INTEREST ALGERIAN PRESENTATION BEFORE THE ICJ, HE SAID THERE WAS NO PROBLEM. HE THEN SAID: "I HAVE MADE GENEROUS OFFERS TO THE SPANISH OF WHICH YOU (FRENCH AMBASSADOR AND I) ARE WELL AWARE. THESE STILL STAND. BUT THE ICJ DECISIONS WILL CLINCH THE CASE FOR US AND IF I MAKE
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THE SAME CONCESSIONS AFTER THAT DATE MY PEOPLE WILL WONDER WHY

I SHOULD PAY FOR ANYTHING THAT I AM GETTING ANYWAY." COMMENT:
IT IS CLEAR TO ME THAT KING WAS SIGNALING TO USG AND GOF THAT
THE SPANISH HAD BETTER COME TO TERMS WITH HIM BEFORE THE ICJ
DECISION, BECAUSE AFTERWARDS HE WILL BE TOUGHER.

2. KING ALSO NOTED FOR OUR BENEFIT THAT PEOPLE AT NEARBY TABLE
REPRESENTED PUNS (SAHARA NATIONAL UNION PARTY, AT ONE TIME
FAVORED BY SPAIN BUT WHOSE LEADER RECENTLY DEFECTED TO MOROCCO).
HE THEN SAID, IN EFFECT: "IT WILL NOT BE LONG BEFORE WE GET THE
F POLISARION TOO. THEY ARE PROUD BUT NOT STUPID."
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